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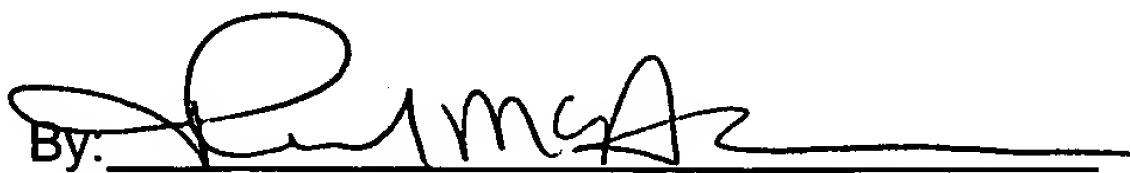
**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicants hereby petition for a five-month extension of time to reply to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application of June 11, 2001. A fee payment of \$1,960.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account no. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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